

REMARKS

The present Amendment and Response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-12, and 16-26 are pending. Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-7, 9-12, 16-17, and 22-25 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Telephone Interview

Initially, Applicants wish to thank the Examiner, Andrew Chriss, for granting and attending the telephone interview, with Applicants' Representative, Caleb Pollack, Reg. No. 37, 912 and Martin Wolff, on November 18, 2008. Applicants' representatives discussed proposed amendments. The Examiner agreed that the proposed amendment to claim 1 overcame the 35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejection to claim 1. Amendments to other claims were discussed as well. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's helpful suggestions and have amended the claims accordingly.

Objection to the Specification

In response to the Examiner's objection, paragraph 0033 of the Specification has been replaced to correct a typographical error in the original.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

In paragraph 5 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 10-12 and 16-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

While Applicants do not concede the appropriateness of this rejection, claim 10 has been amended to include the limitations of "a memory to store instructions that when executed by a processor" and "a processor to execute the instructions stored in the memory". Applicants therefore assert that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, of claim 10 and claims 11, 12 and 16-21 dependent therefrom should be withdrawn.

In paragraph 6 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 10-12 and 16-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as having undue breadth. While Applicants do not concede the appropriateness of this rejection, Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the present amendment to claim 10 referred to above, the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejection of claim 10 and claims 11, 12 and 16-21 dependent therefrom, as comprising undue breadth, should be withdrawn.

In paragraph 8 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 4 6-12 and 16-26 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite. Regarding the use of “a size of a data item” and “a size of the data item” in claim 1, Applicants respectfully submit that the present amendment changing “a size of the data item” to “the size of the data item” overcomes this rejection. Furthermore, similar amendments to claims 10 and 25 overcome the rejection with respect to these claims. However, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 22 requires no such amendment, and that claim 22 in its present form is allowable.

With respect to the Examiner’s rejection regarding a “payload header suppression module”, Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to claims 1, 11, 12, and 23 replacing “payload header suppression module” with “payload header suppression rule” overcome the rejection for claims 1, 11, 12, and 23 and dependent claims 2, 4, 6-9, 11-12, 16-21, 23-24, and 26, and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 of claims 1, 2, 4, 6-9, 11-12, 16-21, 23-24, and 26 should be withdrawn.

The Examiner also rejected claim 4 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 asserting that the limitation “the property of the data item” lacked antecedent basis. Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the present amendment to claim 4 replacing “property” with “size”, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 of claim 4 should be withdrawn.

The Examiner also rejected claims 6, 16, and 24, asserting the claims are unclear based on how “suppressing a static portion of an acknowledgement packet” relates to the functional steps recited in claims 1, 10, and 22. Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the present amendments to claims 6, 16, and 24 the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 of claims 6, 16, and 24 should be withdrawn.

The Examiner also rejected claims 7 and 17 as being allegedly unclear based on how “restoring/rebuilding the suppressed portion of said acknowledgement packet” relates to the functional steps recited in claims 1 and 10. Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the

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present amendments to claims 7 and 17 the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 of claims 7 and 17 should be withdrawn.

In paragraph 9 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 22-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly being incomplete for omitting essential structural cooperative relationships of elements. Applicants respectfully submit that the present amendments to claim 22 overcome the rejection of claim 22 and dependent claims 23-24 and that the rejection of claims 22-24 under 35 U.S.C § 112 should be withdrawn.

Applicants respectfully request that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 be withdrawn.

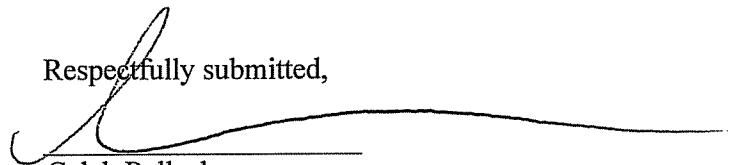
Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants assert that the pending claims are allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

No fees are believed to be due associated with this paper. However, if any such fees are due, including but not limited to fees for an extension of time, please charge such fees to deposit account No. 50-3355.

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